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EX-MAYOR G. A. PROCTOR IN PULPIT

Thrills Big Audience in Forcible Address on Incorporation

"A Bigger and Better Moneta" was the subject under discussion at the Moneta Methodist church last Sunday night in a mass meeting at the invitation of the pastor, Rev. John Wood, who presided as chairman and offered the invocation. The orchestra, under Mr. Kraemer, gave a splendid orchestral selection. Rev. Wood, in opening the meeting, stated that "This is not in any sense whatever an 'incorporation' meeting. This is a meeting for the dissemination of information on the subject of incorporation. The purpose, in mind and heart, is of that character. We have a battery of experts here and we shall hear, with open minds, and, if what they say seems the thing we should do, then we shall govern ourselves accordingly. We need to do something to make Moneta a better home center."

Proctor in Pulpit

Mr. George Proctor, of Torrance, the first president of the Torrance city council, and former president of the Fourth District Chamber of Commerce, spoke forcibly and favorably of incorporation as affecting Torrance and urged similar action for Moneta. "I do not come as a stranger to Moneta, our near neighbor, for I have often been here as your guest in the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, but it may seem strange that I should occupy the pulpit—an easy matter for a man of my size. I had my horoscope cast some time past and the astrologer said I should have been a minister. And this is as close as I have been to that high and honorable calling. Sometime since, on a traveling expedition, I overheard someone say, 'There goes John Jeffrey.' And I said, 'There goes John Bunny.' This is not all, for I have also been called Irving Cobb. 'Well, I am glad you are thinking; it is about time. You have been asleep. I am one of these outspoken fellows, so you will now understand me. Torrance was a Sahara desert when Moneta was on the map. We have been incorporated three years. I do not think anyone regrets it. We have self-government. That is what every young person looked forward to as they approach their majority or legal age. They do not disdain the past, but they look forward to the age of legal freedom. At present, you are compelled to appeal to the county board of supervisors. And what do you get? 'In regard to taxes you now pay 45 cents road tax on the hundred. What proportion of that tax is expended for your direct benefit, in your own neighborhood? In cities of the sixth class the tax is ten mills on the dollar. The law limits this and the law can only be changed by act of the legislature. Our road fund in Torrance was \$16,000. Did the county board ever spend \$16,000 on our streets in Torrance? 'We have a volunteer fire department, in fact two crews to man the apparatus. We have a \$13,000 pumper engine, one of the best in the world. We have never had a house burn to the ground. 'In regard to the paving of streets, you will petition, if you care to, and bonds will be sold and the paving done either under the Vrooman Act, the Act of 1911, or that of 1915. In the first, you may pay out in ten years, the second in either two or ten years, and in the third in twenty years. 'In regard to getting water from

the aqueduct, you must annex yourself to Los Angeles. That water runs over alkali beds, through cattle pastures in open ditches and through the coyote regions. Westgate was promised Los Angeles water if they would annex, and at a cost of \$700,000. Sawtelle was promised the same, at \$400,000. Sawtelle came to our anti-annexation league for help to get them discontinued out of Los Angeles. We employed one of the best lawyers in the country, Delphine Delmas, and the courts did the rest. And then Sawtelle went back again; Los Angeles lavished everything on them. Remember, if you annex to Los Angeles you assume your proportionate share of the indebtedness of Los Angeles. 'I Love Los Angeles; I came there when I was but four years of age. I consider Los Angeles the finest city in the whole country. But believe me, they have some politicians in Los Angeles. 'Standing here I recall the lately departed Mr. M. F. Shepherd, that progressive and big-hearted man. He would stand with you, had he been spared to work further in the cause of civic betterment. 'Of all the territory which has been annexed to Los Angeles you would suppose that there would be a representative permitted in the city council. Not so. There has never been a representative and there never will be. It reminds one of the war cry of the Boston Tea Party: 'No taxation without representation.'"

"Hardware" Reeve
Mr. Hurum Reeve, known as "Hardware" Reeve of Moneta and Torrance, was unable to be present, on account of illness, but he sent a message which was read by Rev. Wood. The high points, in the main, of the message were that incorporation gives the citizens a medium of action. The board of trustees are direct representatives of the people and are home people conversant with the needs of each particular occasion and are on the ground at all times for purposes of investigation. We must make things attractive in order to gain an increased population. "People will not invest unless stability is assured." Reference was made to the necessity for a water system that will supply all demands, no matter how urgent and that the greater the urgency the greater and more insistent demand for incorporation."

RESIGN FROM TORRANCE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The following communication was handed to the Herald yesterday by one of the city officials who respectfully asked that same be published in this issue:
Torrance, Calif., June 12, 1923.
Torrance Chamber of Commerce, Torrance, Calif.
Gentlemen:
We the undersigned hereby tender our resignations as members of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce. Effective at once.
Signed:
W. H. GILBERT,
J. M. FITZBUGH,
E. H. NASH,
GEO. A. PROCTOR,
A. H. BARTLETT.

REBEKAH NOTES

Trio Rebekah Lodge met last night in the I. O. O. F. hall. Election of officers for the ensuing term was in order and the following officers were elected: Ada Anderson, Noble Grand; Ella B. Miller, Vice Grand; Josephine Johnson, Recording Secretary; Martha Hesse, Financial Secretary; Nora Luck, Treasurer; Gertrude Beckham, trustee. The Rebekahs will join members of the Subordinate lodge Sunday morning, June 17, and attend the memorial service in a body.

Now they're going to have a "Be kind to Animals Week." Wonder if they'll include husbands.

This season-Silvertown Cords!

A real thrill awaits you when you first see your car on handsome Silvertown Cords. Another when you discover you are getting more mileage out of your gasoline. And still another at the end of the season when your speedometer shows you how far they have gone.

"BEST IN THE LONG RUN"
Palmer Service Station
Fred Palmer, Mgr.
Torrance



GUARANTEE BOND RULED AS ILLEGAL

Torrance to Get Pave-ment on Many More Streets

Property owners in the district bounded by 222nd street, Plaza del Amo, Arlington and Cabrillo petitioned the City Trustees Tuesday night, in special session, to take the necessary steps to pave their streets, and specifically specified that the work be done by the National Paving Company.

Representatives of the National Paving Company were present and were ready to meet all objections to their paving. Mr. West and T. A. Garrow, the latter chief engineer, gave a clear and concise outline of their methods and class of pavements and were ready to back up their statements from numerous contracts where they had successfully completed big jobs.

Mr. Huntington, representative of the Willite Company, was called upon and asked the people of Torrance to consider his company when contracts for additional streets were let. He reminded his audience that the Willite people were back on the job "keeping faith with the people here and making good their pledge to the tune of \$30,000 to guarantee this city one of the finest paved streets in the world."

The city trustees were unanimous in their opinion to give property owners what they wanted and took the matter under advisement so that they could intelligently report back to the petitioners upon their findings.

Mrs. Price presented the resolution signed by 98% of the property owners. The matter of a bond from the paving company guaranteeing the work for a period of five years was threshed out from all angles with the result that giving a bond was illegal, except as a pledge of good faith on the part of the corporation controlling the patents of the paving material.

There's a whole lot in a name. Years ago we bought dried apples at ten cents a pound, and now we buy "dehydrated" apples and pay twenty cents for 'em.

Many a man can recall the days when instead of saying it with flowers he tied the reins around the buggy whip and didn't have even the expense of gasoline to annoy him.

We read in an exchange that an explorer claims to have found where Noah's ark landed. A more timely job would be to find where the dove of peace went.

We often wonder what has become of the old-fashioned boy who would run an errand for a nickel.

There seems to be too many girls who can dance for twenty-four hours and not enough who can do the dishes for twenty minutes.

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KEYSTONE ITEMS

The Keystone Five Hundred Club will have their first meeting Wednesday night, June 20, at the Chamber of Commerce hall on the boulevard. Twenty-five cents admission will be charged, which will entitle you to play cards all evening. No children admitted.

Chas. Wilson has returned from Murietta Springs, after a two weeks' rest.

Wm. Oetkin and sister have taken over the grocery formerly owned by Kinder and are prepared to serve all comers. Mr. and Miss Oetkin are congenial folks and we wish them success in their new business.

Little John Benson spent a few days with his grandmother, Mrs. Chas. Vogel.

Pete Deseran and family and his son and family spent Sunday among the cherry pickers.

Mrs. Everard and daughter, Miss Bertha, spent the week-end with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Harry Roque. They all attended "The Covered Wagon" Monday night.

Mr. Gentsch and family are sporting around in a new Nash six. Mrs. Wilson and daughter, Miss Ruth, entertained a few ladies at a five hundred party Wednesday afternoon.

Bert Nidever is spending a week at Santa Barbara. Ben Grossing was here this week on a vacation.

Paul Morris just returned from a few days' stay at Santa Ana. Every day in every way the Keystone oil well is going deeper and deeper.

Remember the Keystone Five Hundred Club meets Wednesday night, June 20.

Working at nights, the men folks are making quite a showing on the Chamber of Commerce hall.

THE YOUNG MAN

who makes it a rule to follow a set plan in regard to saving money, is the one who is getting ahead. When a business opportunity presents itself, he is ready for it.

The foundation of many a fortune has been a savings account. Plan to save a certain amount every week, and then stick to that plan.

Our Savings Department pays 4% interest. A dollar will start an account.

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—WE PAY 4% ON SAVINGS ACCOUNTS—
TORRANCE CALIF.

AMERICAN LEGION FILM INSPIRES PATRIOTISM

The picture to be shown in this city June 18 and 19—"The Man Without a Country"—under the auspices of the American Legion is a remarkable sermon on the text, patriotism. Those of us who read the story many years ago—a story which, of course, is wholly imaginary—have never forgotten it. But many of the younger generation have never read it, perhaps never heard of it, and to such the portrayal of it must be most impressive. It is worth much to have a great past thus made to live again. There are, it is hoped, not many people who if they could get a realizing sense of what this country cost would ever be false to it. This picture shows something of the tolls and sacrifices that great and good men made that this country might live.

But there are many kinds of patriotism, as there are many kinds of treason. The sermon is directed—or should be thought of as directed—not simply against the Bol-

sheviki, the radical Socialists, the slackers. It has a much wider application. Those who are familiar at all with the great history of this nation ought to be wholly incapable of grafting on it, or of ever subordinating patriotism to partisanship. The man who "slacks" in his taxes is as bad as he who dodges military service. The man who looks on this government as a great fount of privilege, and who thinks of it as something out of which money is to be made, is as much in need of the sermon of "The Man Without a Country" as is every other kind of traitor.

This nation was not born, and has not endured, that it might go down to ruin at the hands of men who scorn idealism and sneer at patriotism. That is the moral of this presentation of a great past. This portrayal of great men and great events. The story was written in the midst of the terrible struggle for national unity a half century ago. It is timely today, as much so as it was then.

ELEVENTH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sprout celebrated their eleventh marriage anniversary with a family dinner party last Sunday at their home on West Chestnut street. Guests present to congratulate them on this joyous occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Misson, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pitt, Mrs. Ruth Capo and daughter Miriam of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wood of Torrance.

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Buy eggs, butter, bread, milk and cream, and Nucoa from the Seelig Stores—we sell enough of it to keep fresh stocks always on hand.

Our High Grade Coffee at 3 lbs. for \$1.00 is real value. Get it freshly ground as you want it.

- Johnson's Floor Wax 65c
- Waldorf Toilet Paper, 3 rolls..... 25c
- Polar White Soap, 6 bars for..... 25c
- O'Cedar Oil, small 22c
- Skat Cleanser for a nickel. Cleans sinks, dishes, floors, metal. The only powdered cleanser sold for five cents.

- Libby Red Alaska Salmon, No. 1/2 flat can, each 22 1/2c
- Happyvale Pink Salmon, No. 1/2 flat can, each 10c
- Kipped Snacks, smoked filet of herring, 3 cans for 25c
- (Imported from Norway and the exchange rate makes them come at this low cost.)

Pillsbury's Best Flour 24 1-2 lb. 98c
(From the Atchison Mills)

Many summer desserts are made with rice—5 lbs. Blue Rose 30c

Seelig's Oak Glen Macaroni, Spaghetti or Noodles Three 8 oz. pkgs. 25c

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